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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences**

**In the application of** : Naden, James et al.  
**Serial No.** : 10/814,897  
**Filed** : March 31, 2004  
**For** : Multi-hop Load Balancing  
**Examiner** : Wendell, Andrew  
**Art Unit** : 2618  
**Customer number** : 23644

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks  
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Dear Sir:

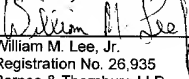
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136, the applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month to respond to the Examiner's Answer mailed February 22, 2007.

Response will therefore be timely if filed with the Patent and Trademark Office no later than May 22, 2007.

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17, the required fee of \$120 should be deducted from Deposit Account No. 12-0913.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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